

continuing to chew the chewing gum thereby creating a fluid pressure causing the medicament to enter the systemic system of the individual through an oral mucosa of the individual.

7. (Twice Amended) A method for reducing the amount of agent necessary to achieve an effect in an individual as compared a typical agent that is swallowed comprising the steps of:

providing a chewing gum consisting of ingredients selected from the group consisting of elastomers, resins, fats, oils, softeners, fillers, waxes, colorants, antioxidants, plasticizers, texturizers, emulsifiers, whiteners, acidulants, bulking agents, essential oils, [a water-soluble portion, a water-insoluble base,] sweeteners, [flavor] flavors, and [an] at least one agent that is typically swallowed by an individual to achieve a specific effect, the chewing gum including less than the typical amount of agent that is swallowed by the individual to achieve the effect;

chewing the chewing gum and thereby causing the agent to be released into the saliva of the individual; and

continuing to chew the chewing gum forcing the agent through an oral mucosa contained in a buccal cavity of the individual.

19. (Twice Amended) A method of delivering a medicament comprising the steps of:

providing a chewing gum consisting of ingredients selected from the group consisting of elastomers, resins, fats, oils, softeners, fillers, waxes, colorants, antioxidants, plasticizers, texturizers, emulsifiers, whiteners, acidulants, bulking agents, essential oils, [a water-soluble portion, a water-insoluble base,] sweeteners, [flavor] flavors, and [a] at least one medicament; and